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Main Entry: **adjacent** 

Pronunciation: [\ə-jā-sənt\](#)

Function: *adjective*

Etymology: Middle English, from Anglo-French, *ajesant*, from Latin *adjacent-*, *adjacens*, present participle of *adjacēre* to lie near, from *ad-* + *jacēre* to lie; akin to Latin *iacere* to throw — more at [JET](#)

Date: 15th century

1 **a** : not distant : [NEARBY](#) <the city and *adjacent* suburbs> **b** : having a common endpoint or border <*adjacent* lots> <*adjacent* sides of a triangle> **c** : immediately preceding or following

2 *of two angles* : having the vertex and one side in common

— **adjacent·ly** *adverb*

**synonyms** [ADJACENT](#), [ADJOINING](#), [CONTIGUOUS](#), [JUXTAPOSED](#) mean being in close proximity. [ADJACENT](#) may or may not imply contact but always implies absence of anything of the same kind in between <a house with an *adjacent* garage>. [ADJOINING](#) definitely implies meeting and touching at some point or line



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<had *adjoining* rooms at the hotel>. **CONTIGUOUS** implies having contact on all or most of one side <offices in all 48 *contiguous* states>. **JUXTAPOSED** means placed side by side especially so as to permit comparison and contrast <a skyscraper *juxtaposed* to a church>.

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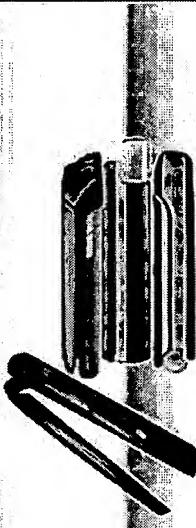
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